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In view of these circumstances, Applicant respectfully requests that the United States Patent and Trademark Office provide the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the Applicant is required at this time.

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